GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH ABSTRACT

Public Services — Forest Department – Disciplinary action against (late) Sri B. Srinivas, Forest Range Officer (Expired) – Article of Charge issued Under rule 20 of APCS (CC&A) Rules 1991 – expired on 22.04.2008 – Findings received – Further action abated – Orders - Issued.

ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (SEC.IV) DEPARTMENT

G.O.MS.No. 96

Dated:05-12-2014. Read the following:-

From the Prl.CCF, Lr. Rc.No. 38512/2013/Vig-1, dt. 08.07.2014.

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ORDER:

In the reference read above, the Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests, A.P. Hyderabad has informed that an Article of Charge was issued against Sri B. Srinivas, Forest Range Officer, formerly Rajavommangi Range, Kakinada Division vide PCCF's Ref.No. 14168/2005/PXA1(i), dt.23.09.2006 on the following Count:

"That he had exhibited gross neglect of duty resulting in large scale smuggling of 12.261 cmt of Teak timber valued at Rs.3,47,593/- from agency area of Rajavommangi Range."

- The charged officer acknowledged the Article of charge on 30-4-2007, but he did not submit explanation and the Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests appointed the Chief Conservator of Forests, Rajahmundry and the Divisional Forest Officer, Kakinada as and vide Authority the Presenting Officer respectively, Proc.No.14168/2006/PXA1, dt:05.07.2007. The Inquiry Officer, vide Rc.No.3205/2006/M8, dt:28.08.2007 issued a notice to the Charged officer to submit his written statement of defence. The Delinquent officer requested for permission for perusal of records. The Inquiry Officer accorded permission vide CCF, Rajahmundry, Rc. No.3030/2008/M2, dt.25.04.2008, but the Charged Officer sought some more time. Permission was again granted but, vide CCF, Rajahmundry, Rc. No.3205/2006/M8,dt. 1.10.2013, the Delinquent Officer submitted another representation seeking more time. Meanwhile, the Charged Officer passed away on 22.04.2008 in an accident.
- 3. The Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests, A.P. Hyderabad has proposed to abate further disciplinary action against the Charged Officer.
- 4. The matter has been examined by the Government in the light of the sub-rule (7) (a) of rule 9 of the A. P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980 as mentioned in G.O.Ms.No.85, Fin&Plg. (FW.Pen-I) Dept., dt 12.7.1999 and under the provisions of G.O.Ms.No.995 Finance (Pen.I) Dept dt 21.12.2002.
- 5. After careful examination of the matter, the Government here by order to abate further action against the deceased Government servant Sri B. Srinivas, Forest Range Officer (Expired), formerly in-charge of Rajavommangi Range of Kakinada Division in this case. The Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests, A.P. Hyderabad is directed to take action as per the provisions of G.O.Ms.No.995 Finance (Pen.I) Department dt.21.12.2002 for recovery of the pecuniary loss caused to Govt., if any from DCRG of the deceased Charged Officer.
- 6. The Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests, A.P. Hyderabad is directed to take necessary action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

S.P. SINGH PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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The Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests, A.P. Hyderabad.
Legal heirs of late Sri B. Srinivas, Forest Range Officer (Expired)
(through Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests.)

Copy to

The Accountant General, A.P. Hyderabad.

The Director of Treasuries & Accounts, A.P., Hyderabad. Sf/Sc.

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SECTION OFFICER